Production levels of coal

424. SHRI JAI PARKASH AGGARWAL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the production of coal in the last two years;

(b) whether there has been an increase or decrease in the production levels of the fore-mentioned years;

(c) if so, what has been the percentage increase/decrease;

(d) whether the overtime hours of workers also increased or decreased by the same amount;

(e) if no, what is the percentage increase or decrease of overtime hours and the amount paid for overtime hours;

(f) whether this payment is in line with the production programme; and

(g) if not, the basis of payment thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (DR. DASARI NARAYAN RAO): (a) The toal indigenous production of coal in the last two years is given below:

Year	Production (in Million Tonnes)
2005-06 2006-	407.039
07 (Prov.)	430.850

(b) and (c) There is an increase in production of coal by 6.38% in 2005-06 over 2004-05 and 5.85% in 2006-07 over 2005-06.

(d) to (g) Increase in overtime hours of workers of Coal India Limited (CIL) is not related only to production since overtime is also spent for maintenance of mines, workshops, hospitals, township, attending breakdown of machineries and on Sundays for production purposes in line with production programme. However, the percentage changes of overtime hours and the amount paid for each subsidiary company of CIL over the last year are given below:—

Company	% Increase (+) % Decrease (—) in OT hours of 2006-07 over last year	% Increase (+) % Decrease (—) in OT Amount of 2006-07 over last year
ECL	-13.47%	-6.04%
BCCL	-5.13%	10.73%
CCL	-3.70%	10.94%
NCL	0.54%	9.95%
WCL	6.32%	19.25%
SECL	0.47%	13.63%
MCL	-12.64%	-4.89%
NEC	0.31%	15.79%

In case of Singareni Collieries Company Limited (SCCL), there is an increase of 5.19% in overtime hours during the said period and the payment is in line with the production programme.